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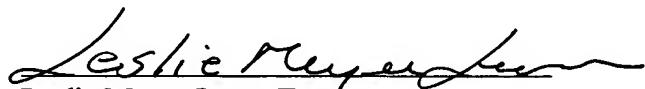
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Claims in Patent		Number Filed in Reissue Application	(3) Number Extra	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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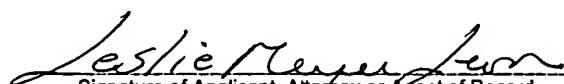
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